ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY

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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS UP 3 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

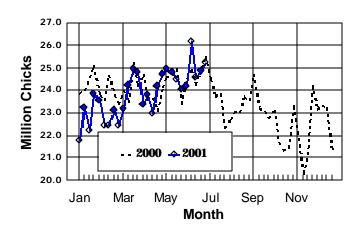
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas was 25.3 million during the week ending July 7, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 2000, and 2 percent above the previous week, and included 3.0 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through July 7, 2001 were 645.4 million, down 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 25.5 million, 1 percent below both the corresponding week a year earlier, and the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.7 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83.2 percent.

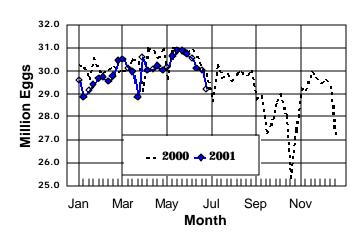
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 29.2 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending July 7, 2001, 2 percent above the same period last year, but 3 percent below the previous week.

	NET PL	ACEME	NTS	CHICK	KS HATCI	HED	EGGS SET			
Week Ending	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	
	1,00	00		1,00	90		1,00			
Jun. 2	24,562	24,050	98	25,720	25,100	98	30,846	30,900	100	
Jun. 9	24,940	24,206	97	25,443	25,523	100	30,943	30,740	99	
Jun. 16	24,286	26,194	108	25,754	25,758	100	30,644	30,578	100	
Jun. 23	25,775	24,594	95	25,747	25,738	100	30,043	30,126	100	
Jun. 30	25,510	24,872	98	25,970	25,620	99	29,920	30,055	100	
Jul. 7	24,510	25,271	103	25,693	25,454	99	28,673	29,204	102	

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2000 - 2001



EGGS SET, 2000 - 2001



BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2001

	EGG	S SET (in T	housands)			CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/	Week Ending						1/
STATE	16-Jun	23 - Jun	30 - Jun	07-Jul	%	02-Jun	09-Jun	16-Jun	23-Jun	30 - Jun	07-Jul	%
Alabama	29,659 *	28,784	29,413	28,560	105	22,516	22,512	22,394	22,953	22,473	22,388	104
ARKANSAS	30,578	30,126	30,055	29,204	102	24,050	24,206	26,194	24,594	24,872	25,271	103
Delaware	3,589	3,450	3,137	3,474	85	5,135	5,787	4,950	5,442	4,607	4,325	79
Florida	2,433	2,246	2,297	2,270	82	2,484	2,451	2,486	2,199	2,417	2,527	109
Georgia	32,395	31,203	32,080 *	30,793	104	26,336	25,358	25,797	26,352	25,573 *	26,298	103
Maryland	8,668	8,914	8,885	8,832	108	5,739	5,025	5,613	5,131	5,229	5,870	107
Mississippi	19,016	18,500	18,500 *	18,792	108	15,861	15,918	15,950	15,800	15,713 *	15,477	102
N. Carolina	17,196 *	17,886	16,781	17,127	98	15,123	14,226	14,243	14,596	14,817	13,534	93
Pennsylvania	3,925	3,881 *	3,732 *	3,846	105	2,713	2,769	2,642	2,595 *	2,712 *	2,872	114
S. Carolina	5,008	4,702	4,966	5,005	107	3,653	4,296	4,475	3,746	4,139	3,863	94
Texas	14,835 *	14,838 *	13,177 *	14,784	107	12,203 *	12,068 *	12,124 *	11,858 *	11,797 *	11,845	104
Virginia	6,803	6,506	6,113	6,504	103	5,152	5,541	5,353	5,539	6,072	5,949	114
C A T N & W V A	11,383	11,478	11,077 *	11,500	100	9,862	10,827	11,009	9,790	10,079 *	10,396	110
Total 2001	185,488 *	182,514 *	180,213 *	180,691		150,827 *	150,984 *	153,230 *	150,595 *	150,500 *	150,615	
Total 2000	183,276	180,334	174,933	175,495		149,543	148,957	148,434	150,449	149,938	147,115	
% PREV. YEAR	101	101	103	103		101	101	103	100	100	102	
APPROXIMATE M	ARKETING D	ATE 2001				21-Jul	28 - Jul	04-Aug	11-Aug	18 - Aug	25-Aug	
* Revised .	ear.											
* K e n t u c k y	5,678	5,857 *	5,190 *	5,639	* * * *	4,516	4,019	4,550	4,572 *	4,224 *	4,648	* * * *
* O k l a h o m a	6,358 *	6,105	5,731	5,724	* * * *	4,171	4,897	4,293	4,987	5,099	4,086	* * * *
* L A & M O	8,843	8,241	8,563	8,615	* * * *	9,547	9,669	9,472	8,431	8,264	9,102	* * * *
19 StateTotal	206,367 *	202,717 *	199,697 *	200,669		169,061 *	169,569 *	171,545 *	168,585 *	168,087 *	168,451	

^{*} Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP 3 PRECENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 181 million eggs during the week ending July 7, 2001. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 151 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 7, 2001. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through July 7, 2001 were 3.98 billion, up slightly from the same period a year earlier.